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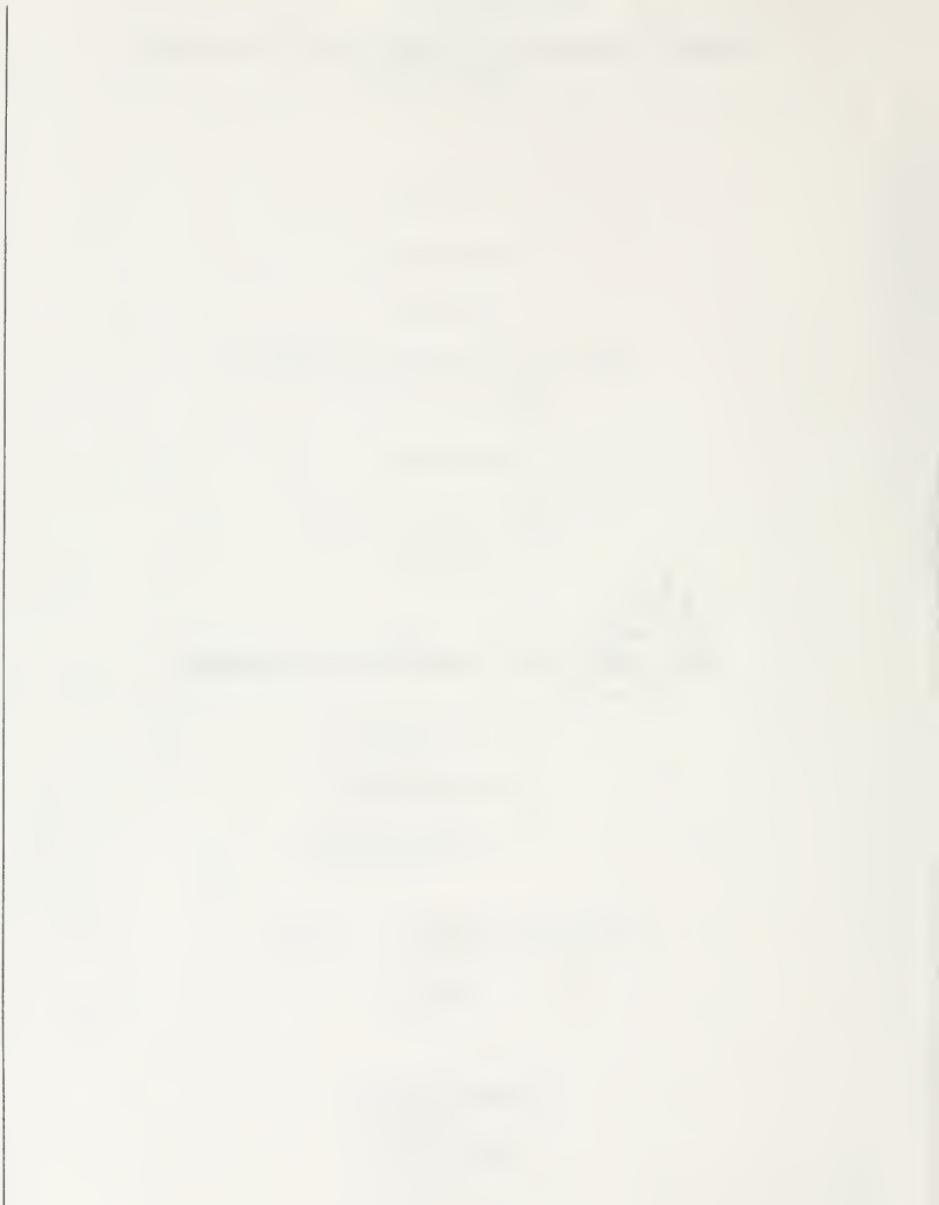
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## Preface

The Interim Directory of Legislative Committees was originally published by the Legislative Council each biennium simply as a list of members of interim study committees. However, there are many other legislative committees in existence, a listing of which seemed to be much in demand.

We have attempted to compile the names, membership, statutory or other citation, and purpose or mandate of each legislative committee that will be active over the next biennium. In addition, we have included the names and telephone numbers of staff.

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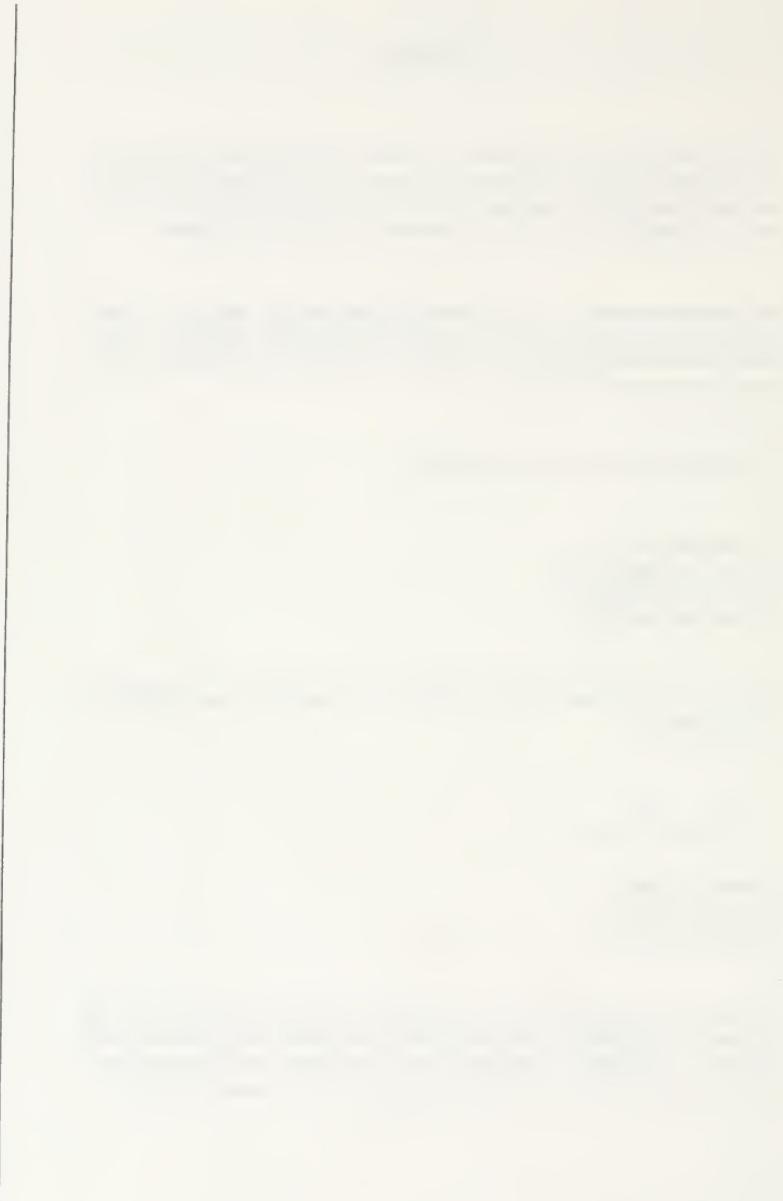
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We hope you find the Directory useful, and we appreciate any comments or suggestions.



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Please note that at this writing some interim subcommittees have not yet organized and elected chairmen and vice chairmen. This information will appear in the Interim, a newsletter that is published monthly by the Montana Legislative Council while the Legislature is not in regular session.



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## **Interim Study Subcommittees**

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## **Joint Interim Subcommittee on Adult and Juvenile Detention**

### **Study Resolution: SJR 23, Laws of 1989**

Senate Joint Resolution 23 requests that an interim subcommittee study the following issues: current status of municipal and county adult and juvenile detention services; future needs for the services; the role of the state in planning, financing, and administering the services; exploration of federal mandates on the delivery of the services; and identification of funding options and revenue sources for providing the services.

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# **Joint Legislative Committee on Accountability and Quality in Education**

## **Statutory Citation: Chapter 3, Special Laws, June 1989**

Senate Bill 16 of the June 19, 1989, Special Session requested a joint legislative committee to study the following: measures for assuring accountability and quality in public school programs; the advisability of requiring school districts to prepare a variety of statistical reports on school performance and administration; incentive pay for school teachers; establishment of a specialized instructor certification program; the permitting of student attendance at schools outside their resident districts; and the defining of a basic system of free quality public elementary and secondary schools, including the state's responsibility to fund the system.

### **Membership:**

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P.O. Box 1366  
Malta, MT 59538  
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Sen. Joseph P. Mazurek (D)  
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443-6404 (home)  
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# **Legislative Oversight Committee on School Funding Implementation**

## **Statutory Citation: Chapter 11, Special Laws, June 1989**

House Bill 28, the school funding reform legislation, approved by the June 19, 1989, Special Session, created the Legislative Oversight Committee on School Funding Implementation, an 11-member committee, consisting of the following: eight legislators; the Superintendent of Public Instruction (or designee); a member of the Board of Public Education; and the Governor (or designee). The bill allows the study committee to request staff assistance from the Legislative Council, the Office of Public Instruction, the Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning, the Board of Public Education, the Legislative Fiscal Analyst, and the Legislative Auditor. The \$20,000 appropriation in the bill for the study is made to the Legislative Council.

Duties of the committee include studies of the following issues: school transportation equalization; district capital outlay and debt service equalization; revenue sources related to school funding; and a number of school funding implementation and equalization issues detailed in the bill.

### **Membership:**

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# **Joint Select Committee on Workers' Compensation**

## **Statutory Citation: Chapter 12, Special Laws, June 1989**

The Joint Select Committee on Workers' Compensation is to address the following: problems affecting the workers' compensation fund; laws and policies governing workers' compensation; costs, benefits, and operations of the state fund, including premium rates and classifications; projected costs of operating the state fund and the reasons for the increasing unfunded liability; revenue requirements needed to operate the state fund and eliminate the unfunded liability; and options for reducing costs and rates associated with the state fund, for ensuring future solvency of the fund, or for selling or abolishing the fund. The Select Committee was granted a \$40,000 appropriation to conduct this study. The Committee is to terminate July 1, 1991.

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# **Environmental Quality Council**

## **Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 16, MCA**

The Environmental Quality Council (EQC) is required to review and appraise state programs and activities related to the environment to ensure compliance with the Montana Environmental Policy Act (Title 75, Chapter 1, MCA). The EQC is composed of four House members, four Senate members, and four public members. A representative of the Governor's Office serves as a nonvoting member.

Two major topics assigned by the 1989 Legislature for interim study are regulation and management of solid waste (SJR 19) and protection and management of groundwater quality (SJR 22). Other interim study topics that respond to 1989 legislative directives include reviews of log-scaling practices and the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation's activities in completing its programmatic environmental impact statement on oil and gas drilling and production.

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# **Legislative Audit Committee**

## **Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 13, MCA**

The Legislative Audit Committee appoints a Legislative Auditor whose staff audits the financial affairs of each state agency or other organization receiving state funds. The audit staff also conducts performance audits to test the efficiency and effectiveness of agencies in administering governmental programs and conducts electronic data processing audits to determine the efficiency and effectiveness of the state's computer resources.

Senate Joint Resolution 20, Laws of 1989, assigned the Committee an interim study of the performance and effectiveness of various state lending programs, such as those under the Board of Housing, the Board of Investments, and the Local Government Assistance Division's community block grant program.

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## **Legislative Consumer Committee**

### **Statutory Citation: Article XIII, Section 2, Montana Constitution; Title 5, Chapter 15, MCA**

The Legislative Consumer Committee appoints the Consumer Counsel, required in the Montana Constitution, who represents Montana's public utility and transportation consumers before the Public Service Commission, state and federal courts, and administrative agencies in matters concerning companies regulated by the Public Service Commission.

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# **Legislative Council**

## **Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 11, MCA**

The Legislative Council is Montana's general legislative services agency. The Legislative Council provides management, legal, research, accounting, and code publishing services to the Legislature.

### **The Council**

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The one nonadministrative policy study function assigned to the Council provides a legislative safety valve. In the event a problem demanding legislative attention arises during the interim, the Council may assign study of the problem to an appropriate study committee. Chapter 1, Laws of 1987, allows the Council to assign such a study to either a joint interim subcommittee or an appropriate statutory committee.

The Council may not approve or disapprove substantive portions or recommendations of any interim committee report.

## **The Council Staff**

The staff of the Legislative Council acts as an independent, nonpolitical, impartial staff agency for the Legislature, performing those duties and functions assigned by law or as directed or requested by members and committees of the Legislature. The Council staff also provides information to the public in legislative matters.

The staff is divided into four functional divisions: Legislative Services Division, Research and Reference Services Division, Legal Services Division, and Management and Business Services Division. Two additional divisions are activated during a legislative session: the Legislative Information Office and Legislative Printing and Distribution.

The Legislative Services Division is responsible for clerical preparation of introduced bills and for engrossing and enrolling of bills. This division uses a computerized word processing system in order to operate with a high degree of effectiveness and accuracy with a relatively small staff of copy editors, data entry operators, and proofreaders. The computerized word processing system is also used in the publication of the Montana Code Annotated. This division is also responsible for the compilation, publication, and distribution of the following: bill drafting record index, internal reference report, Rules of the Montana Legislature, code sections affected list, Daily Bill Status, Combined Final Status, daily and final Journals of House and Senate, Session Laws, and text and annotations of the Montana Code Annotated.

The Research and Reference Services Division and the Legal Services Division have many of the same responsibilities. Both divisions perform general and specialized research and reference and information functions. Staff members from both divisions may staff legislative committees during the session and throughout the interim, draft legislation, prepare legislative and staff reports, and provide information on the legislative process to the public. During the interim, the Legal Services Division is primarily respon-

sible for publication and updating of the Montana Code Annotated. The Research Division has primary responsibility for staffing interim committees and providing reference services. The Research and Reference Services Division maintains a reference library containing items of special interest to legislators and legislative staff. The library maintains a liaison with other libraries to help make information available as quickly as possible.

In addition to the index to the Montana Code Annotated, the indexers also provide the subject index for all bills introduced during a legislative session, the Journal Index, Legislative Review Index, Session Law Index, Bill Drafting Manual Index, Combined Final Status Index, Legal Research Memorandum Index, and Legislative Rules Index. The indexes are updated during and after each legislative session.

The Code Commissioner supervises the continuing codification, indexing, rearranging, and general updating of the text and annotations of the Montana Code Annotated.

Annotations, including case notes to federal and state court decisions and other materials useful to MCA users, are published separately from the section text in booklet format that may be easily updated.

The Management and Business Services Division maintains all bookkeeping records; signs all legislative claims and payrolls; requisitions all printing, supplies, and equipment; and serves the House and Senate during a session.

During a legislative session, the Legislative Information Office is in operation in the Capitol Rotunda. The office operates six days a week and provides legislative information to the public via toll-free telephone lines and to the many Capitol visitors. The office assists in preparation of the Legislative Telephone Directory. The Legislative Information Office also distributes the Legislative Rules, daily committee hearing calendars, information available through the computerized information system, daily House and Senate second and third reading agendas, seating charts, and other relevant materials.

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## **Legislative Finance Committee**

### **Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 12, MCA**

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## **Statutory Committees Receiving Legislative Council Staff Assistance**

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## **Administrative Code Committee**

### **Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 14, MCA**

The Administrative Code Committee was established in 1975 as a permanent committee to review all proposed rules, amendments, and rule repeals filed with the Secretary of State under the Montana Administrative Procedure Act (Title 2, Chapter 4, MCA). The powers of the committee are set forth in Title 2, Chapter 4, part 4, MCA. The Administrative Code Committee has also been given the duty to review all administrative rules adopted prior to the creation of the committee in 1975 and to report to the Legislature on the results of the review (Chapter 64, Laws of 1983).

#### **Membership:**

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549-4236	378-3113 (home and business)
Rep. Mary Lou Peterson (R)	Sen. Eleanor L. Vaughn (D)
RR 1 Box 117	251 Mahoney Rd.
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293-5431	
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## **Coal Tax Oversight Subcommittee**

### **Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 18, part 2, MCA**

The Coal Tax Oversight Subcommittee of the Revenue Oversight Committee was established on a biennial basis by Chapter 619, Laws of 1979. Chapter 695, Laws of 1983, made the Subcommittee permanent. The Subcommittee reviews programs financed by coal severance tax funds and considers other matters relating to coal taxation. The Subcommittee reports and makes recommendations to the Revenue Oversight Committee; however, members of the Subcommittee are not members of the Revenue Oversight Committee.

Chapter 94, Laws of 1989, added as a duty of the Subcommittee the preparation of a report to the Legislature on potential uses of the coal tax trust fund to develop Montana's economy in a manner that would maintain and improve a clean and healthful environment as required by Article IX, section 1, of the Montana Constitution.

### **Membership:**

Sen. John H. Anderson, Jr. (R)  
Chairman  
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Alder, MT 59710  
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Rep. Gene DeMars (D)  
RR 1 Box 22  
Coffee Creek, MT 59424  
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Sen. Richard Edward Manning (D)  
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Rep. Marian W. Hanson (R)  
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## Revenue Oversight Committee

### Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 18, MCA

The Revenue Oversight Committee was created in 1979 to review proposed rules of the Department of Revenue and to exercise legislative oversight of that Department. The Committee also investigates and reports on any other matters concerning taxation. (*Continues on next page.*)

#### **Membership:**

Sen. Bill Norman (D) Chairman 440 Connell Ave. Missoula, MT 59801 543-7914 (home) 543-6771 (business)	Rep. M. Susan Good (R) Vice Chairman 2717 Third Ave. N. Great Falls, MT 59401 452-5442
Sen. Robert (Bob) Brown (R) 333 Cougar Trail Whitefish, MT 59937 862-6656 (home) 755-7130 (business)	Rep. Dan W. Harrington (D) 1201 N. Excelsior Butte, MT 59701 782-0332 (home) 723-4312 (business)
Sen. Bruce D. Crippen (R) P.O. Box 80747 Billings, MT 59108-0747 656-1515 (home) 652-1776 (business)	Rep. Robert E. Hoffman (R) P.O. Box 306 Sheridan, MT 59749 842-5557 (home) 843-5392 (business)
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Sen. Joseph P. Mazurek (D) 516 Hayes Helena, MT 59601 443-6404 (home) 442-8560 (business)	Rep. Ted Schye (D) N. Star Route Glasgow, MT 59230 228-2154 (home and business)

Chapter 608, Laws of 1989, authorized the Revenue Oversight Committee to estimate and report to the Legislature the amount of revenue projected to be available for appropriation. The Committee must introduce a house joint resolution setting forth the Committee's revenue estimate in each regular and special session in which a revenue bill is under consideration.

The 1989 Legislature, in the June Special Session, assigned the Revenue Oversight Committee a study of the advisability of a guaranteed tax base system for school funding (HB 28).

Senate Joint Resolution 21, of the regular session, requested the Revenue Oversight Committee to: study the effectiveness of business tax incentives to address, in general terms, the relationship of "business climate" indicators and state taxes; list and describe business tax incentives available in Montana; identify the targets of the incentives; determine the effectiveness of the incentives in promoting economic development; and identify and evaluate business tax incentives used in other states.

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## **Committee on Indian Affairs**

### **Statutory Citation: Chapter 630, Laws of 1989**

The 1989 Legislature authorized a statutory Committee on Indian Affairs to continue the work of six previous interim legislative committees. Armed with its new permanency, the Committee will continue the following duties: encourage participation of Indian people in Committee meetings; act as an available liaison between the Indian people and the Legislature; encourage tribal-state and tribal-local government cooperation; and hold hearings to promote better understanding between the tribes and public agencies.

#### **Membership:**

Sen. Paul S. Svrcek (D)  
Chairman  
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827-4437 (home)

Sen. Delwyn Gage (R)  
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Rep. Floyd (Bob) Gervais (D)  
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P.O. Box 1810  
Browning, MT 59417  
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Rep. Clyde B. Smith (R)  
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# **Montana-Western Canadian Provinces Boundary Advisory Committee**

## **Statutory Citation: Sections 1-13-101 through 1-13-111, MCA**

The 1985 Legislature created a permanent advisory committee to strengthen understanding and cooperation between Montana government and citizens and the governments and citizens of the neighboring Canadian provinces with special emphasis on encouraging economic, cultural, and educational exchanges. The Committee is composed of the Governor or his designee as chairman, four members of the Legislature, and four Executive Branch members from agencies responsible for issues related to agriculture; water and natural resources; economic development, trade, and tourism; and research and education. The Committee may meet with representatives of the provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, and Saskatchewan.

### **Legislative Branch Members:**

Sen. H.W. (Swede) Hammond (R) P.O. Box 1366 Malta, MT 59538 654-1775 (home and business)	Rep. Mary Ellen Connelly (D) 3315 Whitefish Stage Kalispell, MT 59901 752-3354 (home and business)
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### **Executive Branch Members:**

Gov. Stan Stephens or designee Chairman State Capitol Helena, MT 59620 444-3111 (office)	Karen Barclay, Director Dept. of Natural Resources and Conservation 1520 East Sixth Ave. Helena, MT 59620 444-6699 (office)
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# **Montana Districting and Apportionment Commission**

**Statutory Citation: Article V, Section 14, Montana Constitution; Title 5, Chapter 1, MCA**

The Districting and Apportionment Commission (sometimes referred to as the Reapportionment Commission) is provided for in the Montana Constitution. The Commission is to redistrict and reapportion the state into legislative and congressional districts following each federal population census. The Commission must be named in each legislative session preceding each federal population census and is to consist of five citizens who are not public officials. The majority and minority leaders of each house each designate one commissioner. Within 20 days after designation, the four commissioners select a fifth member who serves as the chairman of the Commission.

Congressional districts must be reapportioned within 90 days following receipt of the final census figures. The Commission must submit its plan for legislative districts to the Legislature at the first regular session after its appointment or after census figures are available (53rd Legislature in 1993). This Commission was designated April 21, 1989, and met May 8, 1989, to select the fifth member and chairman.

## **Membership:**

Frank I. Haswell  
Chairman  
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Selden S. Frisbee  
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## **Other Interim Committees**

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## **Legislative Energy Policy Committee**

### **Statutory Citation: Section 90-4-303, MCA**

The Energy Policy Committee was established in 1979 to advise the Governor in developing provisions for allocation, conservation, and consumption of energy during conditions of energy supply alert or emergency.

#### **Membership:**

Sen. Gary C. Aklestad (R) P.O. Box 32 Galata, MT 59444 432-3915 (home and business)	Rep. Paula A. Darko (D) P.O. Box 490 Libby, MT 59923 293-4838 (home) 293-8802 (business)
Sen. Thomas F. Keating (R) P.O. Box 20522 Billings, MT 59104 656-5325 (home) 656-6164 (business)	Rep. Stella Jean Hansen (D) 841 Woodford St. Missoula, MT 59801 549-3492 (home) 721-7171 (business)
Sen. Bill Norman (D) 440 Connell Ave. Missoula, MT 59801 543-7914 (home) 543-6771 (business)	Rep. John Vincent (D) 1020 S. Third Bozeman, MT 59715 586-6790 (home) 585-1650 (business)

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## Water Policy Committee

### Statutory Citation: Section 85-2-105, MCA

The 1983-84 Select Committee on Water Marketing recommended creation of this permanent Water Policy Committee, along with other revisions in state water policy, to maximize Montana's interests in the allocation and management of state waters. The Water Policy Committee is directed to: advise the Legislature on the adequacy of the state's water policy and of developments that affect Montana's water resources; oversee the policies and activities of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and other state agencies as they affect the water resources of the state; and communicate with the public on matters of water policy. This interim, the Committee will also address and report to the 52nd Legislature on efforts of the state executive agencies in implementing Chapter 658, Laws of 1989, the water leasing legislation.

#### Membership:

Sen. Jack E. Galt (R)  
Chairman  
Martinsdale, MT 59053  
572-3350

Sen. Esther G. Bengtson (D)  
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Sen. Lawrence G. Stimatz (D)  
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Rep. Roger Knapp (R)  
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Rep. Vernon L. Westlake (D)  
3186 Love Lane  
Bozeman, MT 59715  
388-4380 (home and business)

Rep. Tom Zook (R)  
c/o Broadus Stage  
Miles City, MT 59301  
421-5577 (home and business)

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## **Postsecondary Education Study Committee**

### **Statutory Citation: Chapter 632, Laws of 1989**

House Bill 354 of the 1989 Regular Session established this Committee to further study the postsecondary education funding and governance issues considered by the University Funding Study Committee during the 1988-89 interim. The balance from the appropriation for the former Committee was extended to support the costs of this study committee.

The Postsecondary Education Study Committee is to be coordinated by the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst in conjunction with the Commissioner of Higher Education and the Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning. Duties include study of: governance issues; duplication of functions and programs among postsecondary institutions; policy questions surrounding the issues of "priority of access" versus "excellence"; and development and implementation of uniform personnel and classroom enrollment systems.

### **Membership:**

Sen. Paul F. Boylan (D) 3747 S. 19th Rd. Bozeman, MT 59715 586-5531 (home and business)	Rep. Kelly Addy (D) Matovich, Addy & Keller, P.C. 313 Hart Albin Bldg. Billings, MT 59101 245-7441 (home) 252-5500 (business)
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Sen. Peter R. Story (R) P.O. Box 355 Emigrant, MT 59027 333-4341 (home and business)	Rep. Fred Thomas (R) 144 Brook Lane Stevensville, MT 59870 777-5000 (home) 777-5005 (business)

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## **Legislative Liaison Committee for the Montana Lottery**

### **Statutory Citation: Section 23-5-1008, MCA**

Chapter 161, Laws of 1987, which amended provisions for the Montana lottery approved by the electorate in November 1986, established a four-member legislative liaison committee to meet once each fiscal year with the Lottery Commission and to report to each Legislature on the activities and operations of the state lottery. No legislator who has any ownership interest in any gambling device or establishment may be appointed to the liaison committee. Members are compensated for travel and expenses from the administrative allocation of lottery proceeds.

#### **Membership:**

Sen. Hubert J. Abrams (D) S Route Wibaux, MT 59353 588-3711 (home and business)	Rep. Linda J. Nelson (D) HC 51 Box 30 Medicine Lake, MT 59247 286-5611
Sen. Ethel M. Harding (R) P.O. Box 251 Polson, MT 59860 883-2323 (home) 675-4500 (business)	Rep. Norm Wallin (R) 2422 Springcreek Dr. Bozeman, MT 59715 586-9167 (home) 587-1221 (business)



# **Committee on State Employee Compensation**

## **Statutory Citation: Chapter 660, Laws of 1989**

House Bill 786 of the 1989 Regular Session, an act providing state employee compensation schedules, also created a nine-member Committee on State Employee Compensation. Seven of the Committee members must be appointed by the Governor. Two of these appointees must be representatives of employee organizations and have knowledge of or experience in negotiating the pay schedules. In addition, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives must each appoint a member from their respective houses. The Governor is required to appoint the Committee's chairman and vice chairman. The State Personnel Division of the Department of Administration and the Legislative Council are co-staffing the Committee.

The Committee is directed to: examine the policies governing state employee compensation in Montana and in other comparable governmental and private sector entities; identify problems with the state employee compensation system and options for resolving those problems; and develop recommendations to maximize employee productivity and promote quality governmental services within available funding. The Committee is scheduled to terminate July 1, 1991.

### **Membership:**

Robert L. (Bob) Marks Chairman 302 Lump Gulch Clancy, MT 59634	Rep. Vicki Cocchiarella (D) 535 Livingston Ave. Missoula, MT 59801 728-7723 (home) 243-2399 (business)
Sen. Gerry Devlin (R) P.O. Box 186 Terry, MT 59349 486-5533 (home and business)	Gene O'Hara 909 Royal Pines Missoula, MT 59802
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## **Interstate Cooperation Organizations**

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## **The Council of State Governments (CSG)**

### **Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 11, part 3, MCA**

The Legislative Council is designated by 5-11-301, MCA, as the Montana Commission on Interstate Cooperation and, as such, as a member of the Council of State Governments (CSG), an organization of all the states and territories of the United States. The primary mission of CSG is to promote and strengthen state government in the federal system by providing staff services to organizations of state officials. Montana is a member of the Western Legislative Conference of CSG, representing the governing bodies of 13 western states. The purpose of the Conference is to foster and encourage intergovernmental cooperation in the West through joint consideration of common problems. The basic work of the Conference is accomplished through study committees.

The Legislative Council appoints legislators as delegates and alternates to CSG committees. The members serve two-year terms.

The Western Office staffs the Western Legislative Conference of CSG and several other affiliate organizations. State legislative staff members also assist in the work of the Western Legislative Conference on a selective, time-limited basis.

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**Montana Committee Membership 1989-1990  
Western Legislative Conference of Council  
of State Governments**

**CSG Governing Board**

This board provides overall direction of the Council's national organizational activities. Typically, two legislators from each state and jurisdiction are appointed to serve with their Governor and representatives of national associations of state officials. An annual governing board meeting directs Council activities and provides a forum for discussion of substantive state issues. No Montana members are appointed.

**Executive Committee**

This Committee establishes interim conference policy, recommends bylaws to implement conference rules, and oversees staff operations<sup>5</sup> of the Western Office of CSG. The Committee represents the West in all national CSG organizational and policy matters. Each biennium the Committee determines priority issues within the region and establishes study committees to examine these issues.

**Montana Members:**

Sen. Delwyn Gage (R)  
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873-4662 (business)

Rep. Ralph S. Eudaily (R)  
234 Kensington Ave.  
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**Resource Management Committee**

The Committee will address environmental resource and growth management issues affecting Western states, such as hazardous waste management and Clean Air Act reauthorization.

### **Montana Members:**

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443-4411 (home and business)

Sen. Cecil F. Weeding (D)  
Alternate  
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### **Water Policy**

This Committee will address critical water issues in the West, including water rights, federal-state relations, cost sharing, water quantification and allocation, and water management.

### **Montana Members:**

Sen. Jack E. Galt (R)  
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Rep. Gary Spaeth (D)  
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446-1016 (business)

Rep. Charles Swysgood (R)  
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Sen. Bill Yellowtail (D)  
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Wyola, MT 59089

### **Economic Development and International Trade**

This Committee will consider the variety of ways in which Western states are seeking to expand their respective economies. It will examine rural development, international trade development, small business development, human resource development, and tourism.

### **Montana Members:**

Rep. John A. Mercer (R)  
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Sen. Judy H. Jacobson (D)  
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Butte, MT 59701  
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### **Health and Education**

This Committee ill build on and integrate the work of the states, national organizations, and federal government in health care cost containment, indigent care, education financing, education performance standards and incentives, early childhood education, and vocational education.

### **Montana Members:**

Rep. Ralph S. Eudaily (R)  
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Missoula, MT 59801  
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Sen. Pat Regan (D)  
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204 Mountain View  
Billings, MT 59101  
259-8944

### **Legislative Service Agency/Research Directors Advisory Committee**

This Committee is composed of state legislative service agency and research directors. The Committee provides advice and assistance to the Western Office in its research, issue analysis, and organizational activities. The directors annually select the Western state "innovation projects" for CSG's national office. The Committee also serves as a clearinghouse for western legislative service agency and research directors on state legislative issues and operations of shared interest. The Committee meets twice a year.

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David D. Bohyer  
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# **National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)**

## **Statutory Citation: None**

The purpose of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) is to improve the quality and effectiveness of state legislatures, to assure the states a strong voice in federal decisionmaking, and to foster interstate communication and cooperation.

As the designated Commission on Interstate Cooperation, the Legislative Council has traditionally appointed the Montana members of the NCSL committees. Traditionally, the Legislative Council appoints legislators as delegates and alternates to NCSL committees. The members serve two-year terms.

## **Staff:**

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## **Montana Committee Membership 1989-1990 National Conference of State Legislatures**

## **Committees of the State-Federal Assembly**

The State-Federal Assembly was formed to: determine policies to guide lobby efforts and to encourage state legislative action before Congress; provide legislators to testify before Congress; provide legislators to serve on advisory panels; and provide legislators to meet with White House and Executive Branch officials. Policy positions are developed through review and investigation by each committee.

### **Montana Member-at-Large:**

Rep. Dave Brown (D)  
3040 Ottawa  
Butte, MT 59701  
782-3604 (home and business)

### **Agriculture, Food Policy, and Rural Development**

Domestic and foreign agricultural production and marketing; cost of agricultural production, prices, credit, and bankruptcies; federal and state farm programs; and soil, water, and forestry programs at state and federal levels.

### **Montana Members:**

Sen. Gary C. Aklestad (R)  
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Galata, MT 59444  
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Rep. Francis Koehnke (D)  
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Townsend, MT 59644  
266-3602 (home and business)

### **Education**

The federal role in education; elementary and secondary education; vocational and adult education; postsecondary education; private education; education and training technology; education finance; and access and equity in education reauthorization.

### **Montana Members:**

Sen. John (J.D.) Lynch (D)  
527 W. Mercury  
Butte, MT 59701  
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782-1354 (business)

Rep. John E. Phillips (R)  
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Great Falls, MT 59405  
761-3989 (home and business)

### **Environment, Natural Resources, and Energy**

Energy conservation, exploration, and taxation; federal budget and block grants; geothermal, hydroelectric, shale, solar, and renewable energy issues; mining; natural gas; nuclear power and waste; settlement moneys; and utility issues.

### **Montana Members:**

Legislative Consumer Committee (Members to be appointed as needed.)

### **Health and Human Resources**

Aging issues and programs; food stamps; handicapped issues; health maintenance; hospital cost containment; human services programs; immigration and refugees; income security and maintenance; long-term care; medical assistance and care programs; children and youth; welfare programs; and reauthorization of various federal health programs.

### **Montana Members:**

Rep. Angela Russell (D)  
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Sen. Thomas O. (Tom) Hager (R)  
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### **Assembly on the Legislature**

The Assembly on the Legislature provides a forum for consideration of issues internal to state legislatures and state government. Members of the committees are automatically members of the Assembly. Both legislators and legislative staff are eligible for membership on the Assembly's committees. The Assembly and its committees meet approximately three times each year, including once at the NCSL annual meeting.

### **Commerce, Labor, and Regulation**

Regulatory reform; economic development; labor issues; small business; interstate banking.

### **Montana Members:**

Rep. William T. (Red) Menahan (D) 1304 W. Fifth Anaconda, MT 59711 563-2985 (home) 563-5562 (business)	Sen. Gene Thayer (R) Alternate 2612 Fourth Ave. S. Great Falls, MT 59405 761-1545 (home) 761-5764 (business)
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## **Fiscal Affairs and Oversight**

Appropriations, revenue, and taxation issues; legislative oversight mechanisms; state-local finance; debt policy; related fiscal issues.

### **Montana Members:**

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Judy Rippingale  
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## **Legislative Organization and Management**

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## **Western States Legislative Forestry Task Force**

### **Statutory Citation: SJR 2, Laws of 1989**

The Western States Legislative Forestry Task Force is a group of legislators from Alaska, California, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming. Each session the Legislature is required to pass a resolution if it wishes to continue membership on this task force, which acts as a clearinghouse for information affecting the maintenance and utilization of forest lands in the West. House Bill 100, Laws of 1989, appropriated \$16,500 for participation in the Task Force.

#### **Montana Members:**

Sen. Mike Halligan (D)  
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Sen. Elmer D. Severson (R)  
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## **Five-State Legislative Conference**

The Five-State Legislative Conference is an informal organization consisting of delegates from the Legislative Branches of the states of Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wyoming. The Conference meets biennially to facilitate cooperation, consultation, and the exchange of information in state affairs of common concern.

Traditionally, whenever a conference or task force meeting is called, the Legislative Council is requested to select legislative members to attend on behalf of the state. The Montana Legislature will host the Conference on September 17-19, 1989, in Helena. The Legislative Council designated itself as the host state committee, with Rep. Jan Brown heading the committee activities.

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